

Keynote Speakers:

Australian missiologist and author

Michael Frost

Plus, a pastor and missionary from Iran



2010 World Mission Initiative Conference

March 19-20, 2010

at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

More information available at www.WorldMissionInitiative.org.

Workshops

DISCOVERING

A. Jesus as a Model for Missional Identity - Rev. Dr. Ken Bailey, Research Scholar and Lecturer in Middle Eastern New Testament Studies. *Discover the life of Jesus in the New Testament as a paradigm for the church in its mission. This workshop will sharpen our focus on Jesus as the incarnational and missional model for our lives.*

B. Being a Disciple Before, During, and After the Mission Trip - Sharon Stewart, Director of Disciplemaking and Spiritual Growth, Pittsburgh Presbytery. *When we go on a mission trip we are disciples who are sent by Jesus Christ as He was sent by God. "As My Father has sent Me, even so I send you." (John 20:21) During this workshop we will talk about the essential elements of discipleship that are needed as your group prepares for the trip, as you go, and when you return.*

C. Is God Calling You to Cross-Cultural Mission Service? - Andrew Adair, Executive Director, The Antioch Partners. *Join us as we explore the process of discerning God's call to cross-cultural mission service. We'll also explore the preparation needed after discerning God's call.*

D. Remember Your Leaders...Imitate Their Faith (Hebrews 13:7) - Donald Marsden, Presbyterian Frontier Fellowship. *Learn from great missional leaders who have gone before us: Leslie Newbigin, Samuel Crowther, Kwame Bediako, and Harold Kurtz.*

EQUIPPING

E. Mission Trip Planning - Rev. Todd Leach, Associate Pastor for Mission at Shadyside Presbyterian Church. *Planning mission trips is an important part of serving a church. In this workshop you will learn resources and best practices for doing so.*

F. Resources for Engaging Your Church in World Mission - Ellen Sherby, Education and Resources for Mission office of the PC(USA) World Mission. *The PC(USA) has a wealth of resources to engage the church in mission, but we often aren't familiar with them or don't know how to use them. Participants will explore resources and share together how they can be used creatively to engage their congregation in world mission.*

G. Congregational Partnerships: Mission Engagement at the Grassroots - Rev. Bill Paul. *The model of "twinning" or creating church partnerships has proven to be a highly successful approach to international mission engagement at the grassroots level. This workshop will discuss the best practices, pitfalls, and the spiritual growth that happens on both sides.*

H. Mission to Your Neighborhood - Rev. BJ Woodworth, Lead Pastor of the Open Door and Abbot of the World Christian Discipleship Initiative. *Our social location and cultural context is vastly different from what it was just a few decades ago. We must acquaint ourselves with our missionary God and rediscover a contextual theology in order to faithfully incarnate the Gospel in our home culture.*

I. Outside the Box - Children and Youth in Mission - Rev. Jen Haddox, Associate Director, World Mission Initiative. *We need more than good curriculum to get children and youth excited about mission - we need action! We'll think "outside the box" together, exploring resources & ideas for children and youth in mission.*

J. Make Mission Infectious and Truly Missional - Rev. Jim and Lois Caldwell, WMI Mission Consultants. *Learn how to get your people interested and involved in captivating mission, both local and international, with the "salt and light" ingredients commanded by Jesus.*

CONNECTING

K. The World at Your Doorstep - Rev. Scott Boyd and Jeannie Griffith, P.R.I.S.M. (Pittsburgh Regional International Student Ministries). *Discover the strategic mission field at your doorstep: international students, scholars and their families. How will you get involved as God brings this mission field of world leaders to us?*

L. Witnessing to Grace through Medical Mission - Rev. Dr. Will Browne. *This workshop will explore the best-practices and opportunities for working with Christian partners in ministries serving those with medical needs.*

M. Changing the Conversation - Kelly Kannwischer, Executive Director, Presbyterian Global Fellowship *The Kingdom of God is not at risk. Without anxiety, we rest in the sovereignty of God and choose to focus on the missio Dei, the mission of God. This workshop will discuss how PGF is leading by changing the conversation, the difference it is making in our congregations today, and where the Holy Spirit may be leading us tomorrow.*

N. Strategic Frontier (and other) Mission - Bill Young, Executive Director, Presbyterian Frontier Fellowship. *In this workshop we will explore how to be sure your frontier mission, as well as other mission efforts, are effectively connecting you to what God is doing in the world.*

O. Big Mission for the Smaller Church - Marilyn Borst, Associate Director for Partnership Development, The Outreach Foundation. *This seminar will expand your perspective on how God is at work in the world. It will also outline ten steps toward a solid strategy for how churches of any size can join Him in that work, keeping in mind when God does the math, small equals big!*

P. Understanding the Muslim Context - The Outreach Foundation. *In this workshop, a converted Muslim will give insight into Muslim values, beliefs, and thinking, which provides the foundation needed to reach out to and talk with Muslims.*

Q. Frontier Evangelism in the Presbyterian church - Michael Parker, Coordinator, PC(USA) International Evangelism. *The workshop will examine places in the world where the PCUSA through the Office of International Evangelism is doing "frontier evangelism:" Central Asia, Vietnam, Sudan, and the Roma of Eastern Europe and Russia.*

Registration Information:

TITLE	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	
ADDRESS			
CITY	STATE	ZIP	
EMAIL (<i>must be given for confirmation or it will be mailed</i>)		PHONE	
NAME AS IT SHOULD APPEAR ON NAMETAG			
CHURCH/AGENCY/INSTITUTION			
ARE YOU COMING WITH A GROUP FROM YOUR CHURCH?		Y	N
*GROUP CONTACT NAME	*EMAIL		
<i>*Required to receive group discount price. Groups may want to send registration forms together.</i>			
HAVE YOU ATTENDED THE WMI CONFERENCE PREVIOUSLY?		Y	N
HOW MANY TIMES?			

Cost Summary

Registration Fee * **\$25.00**
*\$100 maximum registration fee per congregation for as many members as you want to send. *Registration fee does not include meals.*

Registration Fee # x \$25.00 = \$
I am part of a group

Friday Dinner # x \$8.00 = \$

Saturday Breakfast # x \$4.00 = \$

Saturday Lunch # x \$5.00 = \$

Saturday Dinner # x \$8.00 = \$

Check if you would like a vegetarian option:

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$
**NO REFUNDS for cancellations after March 12, 2010*

Overnight Accommodations (separate charge)

Call Pittsburgh Theological Seminary to arrange for rooms on campus. Cost: \$50/night (single) \$70/night (double). Call 412-362-5610 and mention WMI Conference. *Limited availability on campus. Additional rooms available at hotels off campus at the same rate, however, you must make arrangements through PTS to receive that rate.*

Workshops:

Workshop Choice #1

Workshop Choice #2

Workshop Choice #3

Alternate:

Registration Deadline:

March 12, 2010

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